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COOPERATIVE COMMANDERY No. 79, People's Five Year Benefit Order, John A. Peckham, Commander, David Stevens, Secretary; meets 2d and 4th Monday evenings in each month.

EXETER LODGE No. 49, I. O. O. F., Geo. R. Chase, Noble Grand; Wm. H. Boone, Secretary; meets every Tuesday evening.

THE NEWPORT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY, A. E. McMahon, President; J. J. Bolter, Secretary; meets 1st and 3d Wednesday evenings in each month.

MALIBU LODGE No. 11, R. O. P., John J. Peckham, Warden; James H. Goddard, Secretary; meets 1st and 3d Thursday evenings in each month.

KNOWLEDGE LODGE No. 11, K. of P., Fred W. Williamson, Chancellor; Commander; Thomas A. London, Keeper of Records and Seal; meets every Friday evening.

Local Matters.

Widening Thames Street.

The committee of the Business Men's Association, appointed some time ago to report upon the feasibility of widening Thames street, have not been idle, and will probably be ready to answer to the Association next week. Messrs. Titus & Co., of Providence, to whom the committee referred the matter of simply moving the buildings on the west side of Thames street sufficiently to give the thoroughfare, between Long wharf and Langley's wharf, a uniform width of fifty feet, have had a man here for several days and the situation has been carefully and thoroughly considered. As a result it is expected that this firm of building movers will be willing to contract to do the work inside of \$50,000.

These figures, of course, are only for the bare moving. The matter of damages and of rebuilding the road bed, relaying the curbing, etc., are additional considerations, but the committee confidently expect to be able to report the entire cost of the work complete at less than \$100,000. The present idea of the committee is that the roadbed of the street when widened should be a uniform width of thirty feet and that the sidewalks on either side should be ten feet. Captain Colton, one of the committee, has prepared a large map showing the improvement, together with the cost to each abutting estate, which will accompany the committee's report and be explained at the meeting of the Association at which the report is made.

An Unfortunate Society Scandal.

The cable brought a startling and sensational story from Cannes, France, yesterday, of adultery and murder in which people well known in Newport summer society were the principal actors. It seems that Mr. Edward Parker Deacon and his wife, who is a daughter of the late Admiral C. H. Baldwin, have not lived perfectly happy together during their residence in Cannes, France, and that Wednesday night, upon returning unexpectedly from Paris, Mr. Deacon found his wife in a compromising position with a prominent Frenchman named Abelle. Enraged with jealousy, Mr. Deacon drew a revolver and shot Abelle dead, and then, after denouncing his wife as faithless, coolly surrendered to the gendarmes and was lodged in jail.

Newport's prospects for a big season next summer are of the best. A large number of cottages are already rented and enquiries for others are received by the real estate men in every mail.

Next Tuesday evening will be "Quarter Night" with the Sons of St. George and the members of Roger Williams Lodge will enjoy a social after the regular business meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. D. Sayer will have the sympathy of a wide circle of friends in the death of their infant son and only child, Reginald Dean, which occurred on Monday last.

WEDNESDAY EVENING'S AMUSEMENTS.

The Red Men's Jubilee.
The third annual benefit of the Red Men's Club drew a large audience to Masonic Hall Wednesday evening, notwithstanding the several counter attractions, and the entertainment was one of exceptionally high merit. The programme included an excellent concert by the Ariel Quartette, recitations and impersonations by Dudley H. Prescott, and guitar and banjo selections by the Linton Brothers, closing with a social and dance which occupied the younger people well into the wee small hours of morning. The music for this latter part of the programme was rendered by the U. S. New Hampshire orchestra, and Mr. W. H. Allen acted as prompter.

Union Congregational Church Concert.
The members and friends of the Union Congregational church enjoyed a grand musical and literary treat Wednesday evening, winding up with a first-class turkey supper. The entertainment programme was a long and varied one, including piano solos, solo, duet and quartette singing, readings and recitations by Miss Van Hornes, Mrs. Riley, Miss Dafford and Mr. Anderson. The attendance was large and the entertainment thoroughly enjoyed throughout.

A Salad Sale.
An exceedingly enjoyable entertainment was given at St. George's church Wednesday evening under the auspices of the guild of the church. An excellent programme of vocal and instrumental music, including selections on the guitar and mandolin, was followed by a unique sale of salads and other delicacies which were served to the purchasers on tastefully arranged tables. An amusing feature of the evening was the raffling of a handsome doll which was won by Miss Peter King. The attendance was large and every body appeared to have an excellent time.

N. E. O. P.

Malibou Lodge No. 93, New England Order of Protection, gave a public meeting in Mercury Hall, Thursday evening, which was largely attended. Addresses were made by Granville Cash, of Boston, Supreme Secretary James H. Shaw, of Providence, Grand Warden David S. Collins, Grand Secretary Charles H. Matthews, Grand Guide, and others. Miss Barrows, of Providence, was well received as a singer and Prof. Sweet brought down the house by his impersonations.

The Prohibitionists met in caucus at the State House Thursday evening. Mr. W. B. Franklin presided and Mr. E. O. Riggs acted as secretary. The following were elected delegates to the State Prohibition Convention: G. C. Barker, A. W. Luther, B. W. Pearce, W. B. Franklin, E. O. Riggs, John Varr, A. M. Bailey, Joshua O. Brown, Charles H. Taber, John S. Kimber, H. R. Storer, P. H. Thurston.

The Prohibition City Committee was then elected for the ensuing year as follows: A. M. Bailey, Dr. H. R. Storer, A. W. Luther, John Varr, C. H. Taber, E. O. Riggs, W. B. Franklin, J. C. Brown, J. S. Kimber, H. D. Scott, G. C. Barker, G. R. Thurston, W. S. Brownell, S. S. Albion, J. G. Johnson, W. D. Bartley.

General G. K. Warren and Charles E. Lawton Post, and the Woman's Relief Corps, G. A. R., Gen. A. G. Lawrence Corps, G. A. R., and the Newport Artillery Company will attend divine services tomorrow evening at the United Congregational church. A sermon appropriate to the occasion will be delivered by Rev. F. E. Emerson, the pastor of the church, who is department chaplain of the G. A. R. in Rhode Island and also Post Chaplain of Gen. Warren Post.

A shooting match between rifle teams of Newport and Portsmouth took place at the Glen Thursday and was won by the Newporters by a score of 220 to 218 as follows:

Newport—Allen, 41; Casey, 38; Buchanan, 35; Bull, 34; Martin, 33; Sloan, 32—220.

Portsmouth—C. Harringtons, 39; Mays, 39; W. Harrington, 37; F. J. Coggeshall, 33; H. Chase, 41; F. Coggeshall, 33—218.

Rev. and Mrs. Emerson will leave for Florida one week from Monday night and will be absent from Newport some three weeks, spending two weeks of that time in the sunny South. On their return they will make a brief visit with some of their New York parishioners.

The second entertainment in the Young People's Course, at the Thames street M. E. church, took place Thursday evening. It was a concert by the Temple Quartette, of Boston, and was largely attended and thoroughly enjoyed.

The Newport Land Trust Company will sell a large number of lots at auction in Boston on Thursday next. See advertisement in another column.

Mr. Daniel T. H. Barham celebrated his 58th birthday Thursday and was the recipient of many congratulations and numerous presents.

Unity Club.

Last Thursday evening there was a large attendance of members at the Unity Club meeting, when two interesting papers were read. One was an excellent summary of Gambetta's career in France and the establishment of the Republican form of government there, the essayist being Mr. Charles D. Mueller. The other was on a subject of the deepest importance to our national life, namely, on the necessity of putting some restriction on immigration with this country. Mr. Frank G. Harris presented this subject in a very able manner, suggesting either a tax per head on all foreigners who may henceforth come to these shores, or an interdiction of emigration from abroad for some years. The object to be obtained is to prevent the United States from being any longer the dumping ground for European outcasts and to check the influx of unworthy, pauper and semi civilized people, who settle in the west in communities by themselves, and do not seem to possess the desire or the mental capacity to blend with the American nation and become good American citizens. This paper was followed by an animated discussion in which Mr. Thomas Coggeshall, Mr. T. E. Blakely, Colonel Leslie, Rev. F. E. Emerson and Mr. A. O. D. Taylor took part.

Democratic City Convention.

The Democrats of the city held their city convention Monday evening at the State House. It was a convention of delegates selected at the ward caucuses held on the 12th, and was called for the purpose of electing delegates to the State convention to be held in Providence March 2, and to nominate a General Assembly ticket—our Senator and five Representatives.

Hon. W. J. Underwood was elected chairman and Councilman P. J. Boyle secretary. Resolutions approving the actions of the present city government and condemning those of last year's, and also declaring a continuance of the war against the Newport Water Works Company, were read and passed. It was voted to postpone action in regard to the selection of a General Assembly ticket to an adjourned meeting. The delegates elected to the State convention are as follows, they being given power to fill vacancies:

At Large—James H. Rogers, LeRoy King, First Ward—D. L. F. Young, Michael Lyman.

Second Ward—P. J. Murphy, F. P. Nolan.

Third Ward—T. Deane, G. Helms, G. E. H. Muehlbauer.

Fourth Ward—W. J. Underwood, Jean K. Sullivan.

Fifth Ward—P. J. Boyle, John T. Reagan, alternates, Michael Butler, Daniel B. Fearling.

The Ice Harvest.

The ice men have had quite a busy time of it this week. Cutting at Easton's pond has been continued every day and a portion of each night since Tuesday, and as a result Mr. William Albion has got his house full and the Arctic Company has secured about 2,500 tons, or about one-third its capacity at this pond. The Arctic Company has also hauled about 2,500 tons at the Lily pond. The ice is about seven to eight inches, but in many places is quite rotten, making it difficult to get at. Work at Lily pond had to be abandoned on this account and at Easton's pond it has been made very much slower than it otherwise would have been.

Newport Medical Society Election.

The Newport Medical Society held its annual meeting Wednesday evening and elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

President—Francis H. Rankin.

Vice President—C. F. Barker.

Secretary—Mary E. Baldwin.

Treasurer—William E. Rogers.

Librarian—William S. Sherman.

Clerk—Thomas A. Bennett.

The Elks Benefit.

The Newport Lodge of Elks will hold its annual benefit at the Opera House next Tuesday evening when the exceedingly pleasing comedy "Little Puck" will be presented by that ever popular comedian Frank Daniels. The Elks never do anything by halves, and the entertainment which they offer for next Tuesday night is one of the very best to be found on the boards for 1892.

The arrangements which are being made by the several Irish societies in Newport for the observance of St. Patrick's Day, March 17, do not include any public street parade. The principal features thus far arranged for will be a concert at St. Mary's Hall and a lecture by Rev. Father Coyle, at St. Joseph's.

Dr. Rufus E. Darrach, a Newport boy, late Post Physician of Boston, has opened an office at 337 Boylston St. Boston, Mass. We wish him great success in the practice of his profession.

Another cargo of stone for the new Presbyterian church has arrived at the lot on Broadway and Cranston street, where the masons have resumed the work of cutting.

Mr. I. R. Bergman, of the Newport One Price Clothing Company, has been at Jacksonville, Florida, this week, a guest at the Windsor Hotel.

Congregational Church Meeting.

The annual meeting of the United Congregational church and society was held Monday afternoon, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Moderator—Samuel McAdam.

Secretary—C. E. Hammett.

Treasurer—G. A. Hammett.

John A. Hammett, G. A. Hammett, Dudley Newton, Erasmus P. Allen.

A proposition for the church to join with Mr. Dudley Newton, who recently purchased the Bowen estate adjoining the church property on the north, in getting off a strip of land for the widening of Spring street from Pelham street to Mr. J. S. Cottrell's residence, was taken up and after some talk the matter was referred to the standing committee with power to act.

There was a slight fire at 82 Burnside avenue Wednesday afternoon, caused by some clothes hanging on the chimney coming in contact with the stove. An alarm was sounded from box 14, but when the fireman arrived from the premises the flames had been extinguished by the neighbors. House No. 4, which for some unexplained reason started for the first via Broadway, Thames and Warner streets, instead of going direct, met with an accident at the foot of the latter street. In turning the corner the machine slowed and the rear wheel collapsed. Fortunately no one was injured, although several men were on the apparatus when it broke.

Mr. Simon Hazard, manager of the local branch of the National Mutual Building and Loan Association, which was briefly outlined in last week's Mercury, is meeting with gratifying success. The shares, the par value of which is \$100, are sold at a substantial profit as paid-up, interest-bearing stock, thus offering an excellent means for saving or for investment. The safety of the investment is evidenced by the fact that large blocks of the stock have been taken by savings banks and trust institutions.

The late General Arnold L. Burdick, just before his death, gave to Mr. S. S. Varr, Newport's knight in a ship, a water color sketch, which the latter prize very highly. The sketch was made about twenty years ago by Fitzgerald, during one of Gen. Burdick's last musters, and shows a landau, drawn by six horses and containing Governor Howard (then governor), ex-Governor Van Zandt and ex-Secretary of State Adelman, with Mr. Varr on the box and with Gen. Burdick alongside on horseback, dressed in full major-general uniform.

The Newport members of the defunct endowment organization known as the Friendly Aid Society are considerably elated over the prospect of receiving a dividend. The society appointed a receiver of the society early in September last and a few days ago the members received notice to send in their claims by the first of May as the business would be settled up as soon as possible after that date.

Col. A. Prescott Baker has removed his real estate office from 57 Bellevue avenue to the Travel Block, at the corner of Bath road, where he has larger and more conveniently arranged apartments.

The fourteenth of February coming on Sunday this year, the little folks claimed two St. Valentine days—Saturday and Monday—and made good use of them too.

Mr. Christopher R. Roberts of New York, who last week rented the Stevens villa on Bellevue avenue for next season, has sublet the place to Mr. Geo. S. Scott, of New York.

The Newport Nursery Company is having two propagating houses built on the recently purchased land on Vernon avenue. Mr. Nathan Barker is in charge of the work.

Mr. James G. Fair, Jr., son of ex-Senator Fair and brother of Mrs. Herman Fairbanks, a Newport cottager, died very suddenly at his hotel in San Francisco, last week Friday.

The members of Company B, 2d R. I. M., gave the second of their series of socials Monday evening, at their armory in Bryer's Exchange. It was a pleasant time for all present.

Professor Chapin again attracted a large audience to the Y. M. C. A. parlors Tuesday evening, and his lecture was listened to with much interest.

Mrs. J. Amory DeBlota has rented her cottage on Gibbs avenue and Catherine street, to Mr. Clement C. Moore, of New York, for next season.

Old Colony Steamer Pilgrim has had her old steam replaced by a new one, at the Company's Newport dock.

Rev. Arthur Rogers, son of Judge Horatio Rogers, of Providence, officiated at Trinity church Sunday.

There are quite a number of cases of measles in town.

Mr. John H. Finn has returned from a six weeks visit to Ireland.

Detective Richards has been in Chicago this week.

A Painful Accident.

Mr. Henry M. Riley of this city, who had been in Boston for the day on business, boarded the Old Colony steamboat train at Park square station Tuesday evening to come home. He got on to the train early and was standing on the rear platform of the rear car when the shock of starting the locomotive caused him to step forward off the end of the platform and his left leg was caught between the car and the engine. The leg was badly shattered between the ankle and the knee and he was taken to the Massachusetts General Hospital, where he expects to be confined about eight weeks. The accident, it is understood, was the result of no fault of the company as Mr. Riley was warned in time to have saved himself if he had heeded the warning.

The first reports of the accident, which were received here Wednesday morning, were to the effect that both legs had been crushed and that both would probably have to be amputated, but Mr. W. L. Tilley and Mr. J. C. Sealbury, who visited the injured man at the hospital Wednesday afternoon, say that only one limb was injured and that the surgeons expect to save that. Dr. H. A. Beach, one of the head surgeons at the hospital, is an own cousin of Mr. Riley and will see that he does not lack attention.

Seaman Gunter Ceremac, who was tried by court martial last week at the Torpedo station on a charge of larceny, and who pleaded guilty to the charge, escaped from the "brig" sometime during Saturday night and has not since been seen. It being evident that he could not have escaped from the brig and from the island without assistance an investigation was begun at once. One result of the investigation is the arrest of Coxswain Summers, who was in charge of the watch on the night of Ceremac's escape and who is claimed deserted his watch and came to Newport.

Mr. P. Henry Case, son of Mr. Perry G. Case, of this city, died quite suddenly at his home in Santa Barbara, Cal., on Tuesday last of hemorrhage of the lungs. Mr. Case has been in poor health for years, being of a consumptive tendency, but the California climate has seemed to agree with him, and he has been a resident of that State for a number of years. His father has spent his winters with him, and was with him at the time of his death. He leaves two small children. His wife died two or three years ago. Mr. Case was a most estimable man and highly respected by all who knew him.

Mrs. Samuel I. Carr, of 30 Third street, received a surprise visit from her associate members of Atlantic Division No. 6, Sons of Temperance, Tuesday evening. The guests, though unexpected, received a hearty welcome and were given an exceedingly pleasant evening. Before their departure, the visitors presented Mrs. Carr with a handsome set of dishes, Mrs. T. W. Wood making the presentation.

The funeral of Mr. John Hogan, who died quite suddenly Sunday night of pneumonia, was solemnized Wednesday afternoon from St. Mary's church. The services were attended by hosts of friends, including Division No. 1, A. O. U. of H., Patrick Sarsfield Association and Knights of Labor, of which organization deceased was a member and which attended the funeral in a body.

Stewart Gramanet, at Post Adams, has been under arrest since Monday for having severely cut the wrist of Private O'Connell. Both men say it was an accident which occurred while fooling.

The contract for supplying hay, grain and straw for the fire department of the city during the coming year has been awarded to Mr. Dennis Shanahan, the only bidder recognized by the committee. Another bid, which was lower than Mr. Shanahan's, was received from Mr. J. G. Stevens, but it not being properly signed, it was not considered.

Another interesting meeting of the Newport Historical Society was held Saturday evening, which was fairly attended. The feature of the evening was the continuation of Dr. E. E. Turner's reminiscences of Newport and Newporters, which were listened to with deep interest by all present.

Schoolmaster Rayne, recently transferred from school ship Richmond to the Jamestown, left for his new post on duty Tuesday night in charge of a draft of twenty-eight apprentices bound for the same vessel. They join the Jamestown at Norfolk, Va.

The Brown University Alumni Association of Newport will have its annual dinner on the 3d proximo, and Mr. Francis Lawton, of New York, formerly of Newport, is among those who have accepted invitations to be present.

Mr. A. A. Barker has just returned from Maine where he purchased a large quantity of the best quality of seed potatoes. Farmers will be able to receive from him just what they want.

Partners the late "only" son, worth of \$100,000.

CLEANINGS FROM HISTORY.

Presented by JAMES C. SWAN.

The Long Wharf Free School.

Col. Simon Potter, to perpetuate whose memory the Elm street schoolhouse in this city is named, was a prominent and successful merchant in Newport previous to the Revolution, and in connection with other mercantile pursuits, was concerned in privateering during the old French and Spanish wars. Honored and respected, he died in Swarney, Mass., on the 21st of February, 1828, at the great age of ninety-one years. It is not definitely known at what time Col. Potter moved from Newport, but in 1765 he was living in Bristol, R. I., and probably in comfortable circumstances, for in that year he gave to the Trustees of the Long Wharf in Newport, a large dwelling house and two lots of land, situated on the east side of Washington street (now known as No. 31). This property was, by his deed of gift, to be devoted to school purposes, and that they do not appear by their records that the Trustees, however gladly they may have accepted the gift took any decisive steps towards carrying out the wishes of Col. Potter, until they had been in possession of the property for nearly twenty years, and when he who had given so liberally had been dead more than eight years. It was undoubtedly a source of regret, that he did not in his long life have the pleasure of knowing that his bounty was being enjoyed by those for whom it was intended.

A School Committee Appointed.

At a meeting of the Trustees of Long Wharf, August 25th, 1814, Resolved, that the report of the committee appointed to devise a plan for the commencement of a school be, and is hereby accepted and answered, and that John L. Boss, Nicholas Taylor, Stephen T. Northam, Silas Dean and Robert Rogers, be and are hereby appointed a committee to carry the same into effect, and that the said committee have the sole charge, direction and superintendence of the school house, renting the same to the best advantage, to recover and receive the rents which are due and which may hereafter fall due; either in tuition, labor on said estate, materials requisite for repairs or money; to have all repairs made which they may deem needful, from time to time; the room for the school fitted up in such way and manner as they think proper; that said committee make up quarterly accounts for receipts and expenditures for the house, tuition, books and stationery, and that they be and are authorized to draw on the Treasurer for the balance of said accounts and to make a report of the same at the annual or any meeting of the Trustees specially called; that the said committee cause a particular record to be kept of the pupils admitted, time of admission, time of discharge or dismissal, books and stationery furnished, and to make minutes of any alterations and improvements which they may think will extend the establishment or extension of the school, and report at the annual meetings of the Trustees, and hereby having power to call a meeting of all the Trustees whenever they may think it advisable.

ROBERT ROGERS, Sec.

In conformity to the foregoing resolves of the Trustees of the Long Wharf, the committee made a contract with Elizabeth Finch, wife of Joseph Finch, one of the tenants of the Potter house, to school twenty-five boys; to teach them reading and spelling, for the winter, at one dollar and fifty cents per quarter; fifteen dollars to be deducted on account of house rent, each and every quarter while she shall continue said school; the balance to be paid in cash at the expiration of each quarter; firewood and the books necessary for the purpose to be furnished by the committee; the school to commence the first Monday in October, 1814—the committee engaging to keep said number of twenty-five scholars during the winter.

The school accordingly commenced

the first Monday, being the third day of October, 1814.

Scholars.

Christopher Austin, sent by Ruth Austin; William Robertson, by Sarah Robertson; Henry Wilkey, by Mary Wilkey; Joseph Dunwell, by Frances Dunwell; Charles Wright, by Diana Wright; Charles Martin, by Catherine Chapman; Samuel Taylor, by Humphrey Taylor; William Spear, by Mary Davis; Stephen Austin, by Nancy Austin; William Weaver, by Job Weaver; Thomas Cornell, by Thomas Cornell; William House, by House; Jeremiah Goodspeed, by Solomon Goodspeed; William Gordon, by Gordon; Charles S. Lloyd, by Hannah Lloyd; John Hixcox, by Parson Hixcox; Hiram Francis, by Harriet West; Benjamin Bell, by Elizabeth Finch; Robert Franklin, by Robert Franklin; Nathaniel Read, by John Read; Solomon Caswell, by William Caswell; John H. Boss, by William Boss; Silas Gibbs, by Silas Gibbs; Sylvanus Talman, by John Talman; John B. Barlow, by Sarah Barlow.

The first named seven scholars entered the school on the first day, Oct. 3d, all others followed, and on the 18th, the whole number, twenty-five, were in attendance.

At a meeting of the school committee held at the office of the secretary on Tuesday, 7th, March, A. D. 1815. Present John L. Boss, Silas Dean, Nicholas Taylor, Robert Rogers.

Voted, That John L. Boss be, and is hereby elected chairman of this committee.

Voted, That John L. Boss and Silas Dean be, and hereby are appointed a committee to settle and adjust the accounts for rents due from the respective tenants of the Potter house.

Voted, That it shall be the duty of the committee to select from said ward in the town as many scholars as a vote in such ward on failure thereof, they shall be taken by a majority of the committee from any part of the town.

Voted, That the committee shall, in rotation, visit the school once in every month, and at the expiration of every quarter, or on the first Monday in January, April and October, have a stated meeting at six o'clock p. m., at the office of the Secretary, to regulate the accounts of the school and transact all business pertaining thereto; and that the chairman of the committee be authorized to draw for such sums as

shall be voted by the committee. Voted, That three of the committee shall constitute a quorum and no business submitted to them by the Trustees shall be acted on without a quorum.

Voted, That an annual report shall be made by the Secretary of the state of the school. Motion received and paid to the Trustees of the Long Wharf. Voted, That the account exhibited by Elizabeth Finch, for schooling to 9th of January, 1815, be and the same is hereby allowed, and that the chairman draw on the Treasurer for the balance; being twenty-two dollars and fifty cents.

At a meeting of the school committee held at the office of the Secretary on Friday, 7th of April, A. D. 1815. Present, John L. Boss, chairman, Nicholas Taylor, Stephen T. Northam, Robert Rogers, Sec.

The committee appointed to adjust the accounts of rents due for the Potter house, represented that they had settled with Job Gibbs, and taken his vote for the balance due to 8th of April, 1815.

Voted, That the account exhibited by Elizabeth Finch for schooling to 9th of April, 1815, be and the same is hereby allowed, and that the chairman give her an order for the balance; being twenty-two dollars and fifty cents.

At a meeting of the school committee held at the office of the Secretary, on Saturday, 8th of July, 1815. Present, John L. Boss, chairman, Stephen T. Northam.

ROBERT ROGERS, Sec.

Voted, That the respective accounts of Housemaster and Barber, for stationery and printing; William Simons, for printing; Henry Bull, William Langley, Michael Freeborn and John L. Boss, for lumber; Charles Davenport, for masonry; Jeremiah Lawton, for glazing; Job Gibbs, for carpenter's work; be and the same are hereby allowed, and that they respectively have orders for the same on the Treasurer.

Voted, That the account exhibited by Joseph Finch to 8th of July, 1815, be and the same is hereby allowed, and that the chairman give an order therefor, together with an additional allowance of five dollars for his attendance in writing scholars, on the Treasurer. Benjamin Finch, Esq., is the sole survivor of the original twenty-five scholars.

A number of the young people connected with St. John's church and choir have organized themselves into an amateur theatrical company and Tuesday evening they made their debut at the Reading Room, presenting "The Border Land." The play attracted a good sized audience and the players performed their respective parts with credit to themselves and pleasure to the spectators.

The low pressure used by the water works Thursday morning led many house-holders to think their water pipes had frozen up during the night, and when, about 9 o'clock, the usual pressure returned not a few thought it was the result of a generous use of hot water, and the like.

Mr. O. Hoffman Burrows and family have gone to New York and next week they will sail for Europe. They will not occupy their Newport cottage next season.

Messrs. Perry Brothers have been awarded the contract to supply the city hall, police station and overseers of the poor with fuel during the year ensuing, they being the lowest bidders.

One of Mr. Theo. A. Havemeyer's cottages on Washington street has been rented to Miss Jane Morris of Philadelphia, for next season.

Mr. John H. Cottrell, of Providence, has been in town this week, the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Cottrell, on Spring street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Wells, of New York, who own the Pansy cottage on Bellevue avenue, have been in town this week.

Mr. John W. Gluskin, who was a guest at Hotel Royal in New York on the night it was burned and who himself narrowly escaped, is in town.

The Euterpe Club concert at Masonic Hall Monday evening drew a large and enthusiastic audience, and was a most gratifying musical success.

Rev. S. W. Stevens, late pastor of the Second Baptist church, has been in town this week, the guest of Mr. Achilles Stevens on Bay View avenue.

The Supreme Court opened its special session here Monday, but, there being no business, immediately adjourned to meet according to law.

Rev. J. A. L. Rich, of Central Falls, formerly pastor of the First Methodist church in this city, was in town Thursday.

The several fire stations have been supplied with telephones, which it is thought will greatly facilitate matters.

At the evening service of the First Baptist church, last Sunday, four candidates received the rites of baptism.

Mr. Ogden Goelet is to have a substantial sea wall built in front of his estate on the Cliff.

Mr. James T. Knoll and Messrs. J. W. Norton & Co., have each lost a valuable horse within the past week.

The recent policemen's ball netted the police relief fund, for the benefit of which it was given, \$214.00.

The ice crop for most of the country bids fair to be a good one, though Newport has not yet got a large supply.

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AROUND THE WORLD.

Narrative for Captain McQuinn of the Pa-
cific during a 1890 Miles Voyage—
A Trip Through the Straits of Malacca
and Pinnacles Presented—The
Cocoon Palm Tree and its Manifest
Uses.

(BY HON. NICHOLAS HALL.)

At 5 P. M., Tuesday, December 8, our
lines are cast off, the steamer quivers a
moment as the great wheel begins to
revolve, and then we are away for a
trip of 1890 miles to where "the spicy
breezes float soft o'er Caylon's tide."
The next day, through the Straits of
Malacca, we pass heavily wooded is-
lands, whose shores, whether bold and
rocky or more and sandy, are usually
lined with stately cocoanut palms, that
evidently thrive best in the vicinity of
the sea, although they are sometimes
seen far inland. This tree, the *Cocos*
nucifera of the botanist, seems to be to
the native of the tropics what the rein-
deer is to the inhabitants of polar re-
gions, a source of constant revenue. Its
cylindrical trunk, often two feet in di-
ameter, rises unbroken from 60 to 100
feet, and is crowned with gracefully
curved, feathery leaves 18 or 20 feet
long, each composed of a tough midrib
from which spring many long, sharp
pointed leaflets. The flowers are in
branches some six feet long, and de-
velop into from ten to twenty fruits
each about a foot long and five to eight
inches wide, of a triangular form, the
thick fibrous husk enclosing the co-
conut of our home markets. A forest
of this species resembles a series of
dark columns surmounted by a roof
composed of gigantic feathers, inter-
spersed with enormous green leaves
and fruit. The omnipresence of this tree,
which probably originated in Southern
India, is said to be owing to the fact
that it grows so close to the sea that its
ripe fruit falls on the beach and is
washed away by the waves to the far-
distant shores, where it readily vege-
tates. Its thick husk renders it buoy-
ant and protects it from injury, while
its form, that of a triangular prism
with rounded ends, facilitates its pas-
sage through the water.With us the cocoanut is one of the
luxuries of life, but with the people
along the shores of Southern Asia and
the adjacent islands, it furnishes the
chief necessities of life, and its culture
and the preparation of its many pro-
ducts afford employment to a large
proportion of the people. The outside
husk of the fruit is a year when the
fibro is easily separated by beating, and
is made into cloth yarn; from which is
made the well-known matting, and the
rough elastic cables familiar to sailors,
as well as brushes, brooms and hats;
and when curled and colored it is sub-
stituted largely for horse-hair in stuff-
ing cushions and mattresses. The oil,
when fresh, is used for cooking; and
when rancid is pressed, yielding stearine
for candles, and a fine oil for lamps.
The uses of the kernel and milk are
parent. The immature nut yields a
delicate, delicious blande-manger. The
shells are made into many useful arti-
cles, and are also burned for charcoal,
which is pulverized, yielding an excel-
lent tooth powder and superior lamp-
black. From the juices of the tree an
intoxicating drink is made, as well as
sugar and a kind of sugar called
"gogger." With the leaves they thatch
houses and plait baskets, mats, hats,
etc., while from the footstalk strong
net combs are made. The unexpanded
leaves from the centre of the crown
are used as are cabbage with us. The
network at the base of the leaves is
used for sieves, and made into clothes.
The wood is hard, and excellent either
for the carpenter or the cabinet maker.
The flowers are so fragrant, the roots
yield a fibrous, and the milk is said
to be good for sore eyes. I have named
only the more prominent uses to which
this plant is applied, as gathered from
reading, inquiry and observation here,
but enough is given to show that it is
one of the most important trees known
to man, and the basis of industries ca-
pable of almost indefinite expansion.At nine o'clock Thursday morning we
passed the light-house on the extreme
northwestern point of Sumatra. This
point here is irregular, and affords
many excellent hiding places for pirates
in the dark bays between some of these
headlands. No doubt they would soon
gather in this broad highway of the
world's commerce but for the strong
naval patrol which civilized nations
maintain. Except two or three small
houses near the light, we saw no signs
of any settlement or even a human habi-
tation for many miles along the rocky
hills.We are now on the open Indian
Ocean, bound due west, with a smooth
sea and a clear sky. One would think
we would have a deal of leisure, but
somehow the time seems fully occu-
pied. We have a table d'hôte break-
fast from 9 to 10, 10:15 or 11:15 of tea
or coffee and crackers at 11, coffee and
crackers again at 12, table d'hôte dinner
from 1 to 2:30, and tea, coffee, or lemon-
ade with crackers again at 3:10. This
steamer has three kinds of wine on
every table, and between meals if one
wants it; and those who take the full
course at breakfast and dinner are served
Cognac brandy, if desired. It is
difficult to see any good reason for "eat-
ing so often or so much, even with "sea
food," and no doubt if the table
was conducted on the European plan
the passengers would spend less time
at meals, but at present we placidly ac-
cept the situation. Between lunches
one feels a sense of responsibility for
his fellow-passengers, and so has to go
the rounds of the deck three or four
times a day to see if all is moving
properly. We have to listen to the
cock playing and singing, to our Eng-
lish Major Hitchcock arguing with
the Russian Minister to Japan, who is
bound home on a visit with his wife
and daughter; to watch four men dressed
in light clothing, pitching quoits on
a little platform made for the occasion;
to look over the second and third class
passengers; and last but far from least,
to learn the rank and stations of our
French officers and see if they are at-
tending to their duties according to
American ideas. An abundance of
young men and a scarcity of young la-
dies puts forth a disadvantage, but
by night there is singing and dancing to
be looked after, not to mention the
beautiful phosphorescence resembling a
sea of liquid diamonds through which
we are racing, and upon which we could
gaze for hours if we were not so busy
in other directions. The sea and sky
require some attention too, by day, and
we must sleep at least a few hours out
of the twenty-four; so that, take it all
big and large, we really seem pressed
for time to perform the arduous duties
devolving upon us, and wholly unable
to do the reading which was to receive
attention during the hours of leisure
we had looked for in crossing the In-
dian Ocean.The above is the routine of the ordi-
nary business of a steamer, and an Ameri-
can passenger. If this becomes ex-
hausting he can take a holiday by
simply going forward of the bridge, pass-
ing carefully among the Asiatic pas-
sengers of all colors and shades allow-
able for human beings, and visiting "the
menagerie" as we call it. Here are
sheep and lambs bleating, pigs squeal-
ing, cows lowing, hens cackling, and
turkeys, ducks, geese, pheasants, pigeons,parrots and thousands of smaller rep-
resentatives of various nationalities of
feathered bipeds, all contributing their
full share to the general babel chorus.
Many, perhaps most of these, are being
taken to Europe for sale. I gazed at
these one day for hours in speechless
amazement, dumb for the time from a con-
sideration of the comparative weak-
ness of the lungs of a man, but I was en-
joying myself hugely, until I happened
to catch a glimpse of the watch on deck,
working with might and main, scrap-
ing old paint from the ship's iron work and
rust from an ancient cable. As I had
"been there" in other days, this brought
me back to a realizing sense that
"Life is real, life is earnest"; so I closed
my holiday at once, and hastened back
to the starboard deck, determined to at-
tend strictly to business until we reach
Columbo.

Babies of the World

It has been computed that between
30,000,000 and 37,000,000 babies are born
in the world each year. The rate of
production is therefore about 70 per
minute, or rather more than one for
every beat of the clock. With the con-
stant calculation every newspaper
reader is familiar, but it is not every
one who stops to calculate what this
means when it comes to a year's supply.
It will, therefore, probably startle a
good many persons to find on the au-
thority of a well-known hospital writer
that, could the infants of a year be ar-
ranged in lines in cradles, the cradles
would be overflowing, and at the same
time extend around the globe. We
have the ingenious conclusion also that,
supposing the little ones grow up, and
the sexes be equally divided, we would
have an army 100 times larger than that
of Great Britain and a wife for each
soldier besides.The same writer looks at the matter
from a still more picturesque light. He
imagines the babies being carried past
a given point in their mother's arms,
one by one, and the procession being
kept up night and day until the com-
er in the twelfth month had passed by.
A sufficiently liberal rate is allow-
ed, but even in going past at the rate
of 20 a minute the reviewer at his post
would only have seen the sixth part of
this infantile host after they had been
passing him at the rate of 1200 an hour
during the entire year! In other words,
the babe that had to be carried when
the tramp began would be able to walk
when but a mere fraction of its com-
rades had reached the reviewer's post,
and when the year's supply of babies
was drawing to a close there would be
a great gap, not of infants, but of romp-
ing 6 years-old boys and girls.—[St.
Louis Globe-Democrat.]

Comforts and Incomes.

The comforts of life, at the rate they
are increasing, bid fair to bury us as
Tarpeia was buried under the shields of
her friends the Sabines. Mr. Ham-
merton, in speaking of the increase of
comfort in England, groans at the "try-
ing strain of expense to which our ex-
tremely high standard of living sub-
jects all except the rich." It makes
each individual of us very costly to
keep, and constantly tempts people to
concentrate on the maintenance of few
individuals means that would in
simpler times be divided among many.
"My grandfather," said a modern the
other day, "left \$200,000. He was con-
sidered a rich man in those days, but
dear me, he supported four or five fam-
ilies—all his needy relatives and all my
grandmother's." "Think of an income
of \$10,000 a year! The other day I
paid to the wife's father, a marriage is
really buying a pig in a poke, and con-
stantly when the bride comes home she
is ugly or bad-tempered or unpleasant
and cannot manage the house."
"This," he said, "makes men polygam-
ists who would not otherwise be so.
Then a man takes another wife, and
perhaps, this is repeated, and then he
takes again, and so on, and the house
becomes full of turmoil. There are al-
ways quarrels in a polygamist house-
hold, and the children dispute about
the property after the father's death."
"If he had not been fortunate, and had not
his wife been capable of managing the
house, he said that he must have taken
another wife, for," he added, "no man
can bear a badly-managed house."
—[Gallopian Messenger.]

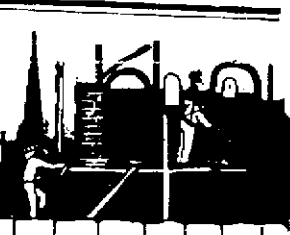
A Sacred Vase.

For the last 600 years there has been
preserved in the Cathedral of Genoa an
emerald vase of hexagonal shape. Its
principal diameter measures twelve and
one-half inches, and its height five and
three-fourth inches. This article is se-
cured under several locks, the keys of
which are in different hands. It is but
rarely exhibited in public, and that only
at the decree of the Senate. A decree
of Genoa has written a book in order to
prove that this vessel was a gift pre-
sented to Solomon by the Queen of
Sheba.—[La Curieuse Universelle.]

Who Was King.

Charles II., was out hunting one day,
got separated from the hunt and en-
tered the cottage of a cobbler for re-
freshment. The man gave him bread
and cheese and began to talk about the
King, expressing much anxiety to see
him. "Mount behind me," said his
guest, "and I will show him to you."
"But how shall I know him?" "Why,"
the King replied, "he is the only one covered."
By this time they had come up with
the noble, and the cobbler looked
about for the King. He soon found
that he alone and the King had their
bats on; so rising to the occasion, he
tapped the King on the shoulder and
said: "I think it must be either you
or I, sir."—[Temple Bar.]

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